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their origin neither in an adequate sensory stimulation, nor in any other sensory stimulation, nor in experience, but rather in an *a priori*, adaptive, self-preservation tendency which is entirely independent of experience."

Again, in the first chapter Strumpell's theory, that we go to sleep because of the absence of sensory stimulation and awaken because of the presence of the same, is vigorously attacked. Strumpell's patient was anesthetic except in one ear and one eye. When the eye was closed and the ear stopped the patient fell asleep. But, remarks Professor Pikler, what causes him to awaken? No sensations can penetrate the barriers of this almost complete anesthesia. His conjecture is that excess energy, the desire for psychic activity, is so great that the patient moves spontaneously. He opens his eyes, begins to remember, think, *etc.* There is a drive (*trieb*) toward or interest in recuperation which underlies sleep and an interest causes us to awaken.

The other chapters of the book are concerned with the negative judgment, the perception of visual depth, kinematographic perceptions, optical illusions and Ranschburg's phenomenon of retroactive inhibition.

The author apologizes for bringing heterogeneous problems together in one volume. In justification of his plan, however, it may be stated that the problems are held together by a certain similarity of theoretical treatment. The critical historical parts of the book are of more value than the very questionable positive contributions. Throughout, there is that sombre coloring of faculty psychology which so inhibits the enthusiasm of the present-day experimental psychologist. The only American author mentioned is Professor Dewey and his name appears in a quotation.

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NOTES AND NEWS

THÉODORE FLOURNOY

ON November 5, 1920, occurred the death of Théodore Flournoy, the eminent psychologist and philosopher of Geneva. For Ameri-